

DOUBT THROWN ON PEACE TALK IN ALL CIRCLES

Washington Officialdom Agrees
With Wall Street in Discred-
iting Likelihood.

GERARD'S MISSION IN DARK

Dispatches Tell of France's Un-
relenting Attitude and Brit-
ish Doggedness.

Much talk in high official cir-
cles here of the possibility of an
early discussion of peace among
the belligerents of Europe has been
aroused by the reports that Am-
bassador Gerard is the bearer of
proposals from the Kaiser to end
the war.

Well informed opinion among
diplomats here agrees with that
of "big business" in Wall Street,
as evidenced by the recovery in
the New York market after yester-
day's break, in doubting any like-
hood of the United States at pres-
ent becoming a prominent factor in
peace negotiations.

In support of this opinion it is
pointed out that Lloyd-George's
"hands-off" statement will be
given respectful heed as undoubt-
edly representing Great Britain's
attitude. The close proximity of
election also will tend to defer any
step whose consequence cannot be
calculated in advance.

Dispatches from The Hague also
emphasize France's uncompromis-
ing attitude and determination to
fight to the finish.

The dove of peace has ample
room to fly now, but nowhere to
roost, as one official put it.

FRANCE ONLY NATION DENYING PEACE TALK

Met Dutch "Feeler" With A Fiery
Answer.

By CARL W. ACKERMAN,
United Press Staff Correspondent.

THE HAGUE, Sept. 17 (by mail).—The
Dutch government only two months ago
sounded the European belligerents on
the prospects of peace, the United Press
was informed today.

Every belligerent, except France, ex-
pressed a willingness to enter an
informal discussion. France's reply was
such a dry refusal that one person who
learned its contents described it as "al-
most an ultimatum."

Dutch officials not only have not
resumed their attempt at peace nego-
tiations, but they are now convinced
that the end of the war is a long
way off.

The one positive indication that
peace is impossible at present is the
wide difference of opinion between
each of the opposing sides regarding
the situation in the ranks of the
other. During the past few days I
have been in Copenhagen, Berlin, The
Hague, and Rotterdam. The first im-
pression obtained by a traveler in
wide chasm between the contending
parties.

Copenhagen, which is tremendously
anti-German, believes that Germany is
about to fall to pieces. There are re-
ports of unrest, starvation, depression,
and lack of soldiers in Germany. The
people of Copenhagen and also residents
of The Hague, believe the allied of-
fensive on the Somme, in Russia and
Gallia and Hungary is having great
success. They can't understand why
the much-talked-of "revolution" in Ger-
many doesn't begin. No one pays any
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Gen. Goethals Here To Take Up Duties

Meeting of New Eight-Hour Com-
mission Will Be Called In
Few Days.

Maj. Gen. George W. Goethals,
chairman of the eight-hour day com-
mission named by President Wilson
to observe operation of the new law
applied to the wage and hours dis-
pute between railroads and operating
employees, has reached Washington to
take up his new duties. A meeting of
the commission will be held within
a few days to organize.
In advance of the organization of
the commission, General Goethals
said today there is nothing that can
be announced. With the other two
members, General Goethals, of the
Federal Trade Commission, and George
F. Rublee, of the Federal
Trade Commission, General Goethals
wishes to make a thorough study of
the law before the commission an-
nounces any plan of action.

Wall Street Sees Slim Peace Chance

Recoveries at Opening Register
Doubt Regarding Rumor of
Gerard's Mission.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Wall street re-
gistered considerable doubt regarding
the report that Ambassador Gerard is
carrying German peace proposals to Pres-
ident Wilson, at the opening of the
stock exchange today when recoveries
from yesterday's break in prices were
general.

Many financial men looked upon the
report as a market bear story, while
others credited it.

Central leather jumped 2 1/2 on the first
sale, selling at 11 1/2. United States Steel
was up 1/4, at 11 1/4. Several of the lead-
ing rails showed half-point recoveries,
and Steel and munition shares were
strong.

Announcement that President Charles
Sabin, of the Guaranty Trust, was the
banker who gave out the peace story
of yesterday, was followed by general
gains in the late forenoon, the market
having moved irregularly during much
of the morning.

Southern Railway sold up 3 to a new
high at 24 1/2, and United States Steel
was up 1/4, at 11 1/4. Sales for the
half-day session were 654,000 shares. The
market closed firm.

GIRL, HELD AS HEAD OF MOTOR BANDITS, SAYS SHE WAS DUPE

Police, However, Believe She
May Have Directed Fatal
Hold-up.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 7.—Millie di
Marco, pretty twenty-year-old Italian
girl, was either the leader or the dupe
of the bandit gang that shot to death
Henry Rider and seriously wounded
A. J. Rider, Mrs. Elsie Smathers, and
John Rigby, near Summit Ridge, N. J.,
day before yesterday.

This was the conclusion of detec-
tives working on the case today, fol-
lowing her statement that she knew
nothing of the intentions of the gang
and was victimized.

The police frankly put little faith in
her claim. She declared Giuseppe
Russo, who she said was her lover, in-
vited her to "take a ride for her health" in the
automobile which drove the bandits to
the scene of the murder.

Millie, Russo, Frank Vessella, and
Frank Ladonne were all held without
bail here for extradition to New Jer-
sey.

The arrest of five more Italians, be-
lieved implicated, is expected today.

Admits He Drove Car.

Vassella, admits he drove the murder
car, but says he had no hand in the job,
knew nothing of the purposes of the
trip, and simply rented the machine to
the men concerned for \$15 a day. The
other two suspects admit they were
near the scene of the crime.

Poses as Burlington, Camden, and
Atlantic counties have thrown lines
around the barrens and are guarding
every road. They believe the seven
eight others concerned in the hold-up
and shooting had no opportunity to
escape, and expect gradually to close in
on them.

Two suspects arrested at Camden
were released when they were able to
prove that they were at work at the
time the murder occurred.

Suffering From Shock.

A. J. Rider is in Jefferson Hospital
here, prostrated more from shock than
from his wounds in the cheek and back.
His health has not been good for some
months.

Mrs. Smathers also is in Jefferson
Hospital, shot in the back and through
the leg. Her condition is not serious.
The young widow, whose husband died
less than a month ago, smilingly de-
picted attempts today to make a heroine
of her.

Rigby, who was shot seven times
when he stood up in the back of the car
and returned the fire of the bandits,
is in a serious condition. He is not a
chauffeur, as had been reported, but a
plumber, who had been talking with A.
J. Rider about a contract. He also is in
Jefferson Hospital.

Two Billion Loan Raised by Berlin

Fifth German War Subscription
Only Slightly Lower Than
Previous One.

BERLIN (via wireless to Bayville),
Oct. 7.—Subscriptions to the fifth Ger-
man war loan total 10,500,000,000 marks
according to an official tabulation made today.

This is but slightly below the total
raised for the fourth war loan last
spring, 10,767,000,000.

Only the third war loan, when the
total was 12,160,000,000 marks, was much
higher.

Former Actress Kicks Policeman in Hospital

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Mrs. Vera Mc-
Dowell, ex-actress, hasn't forgotten how
to kick. One blow from her satin pump,
expertly placed, sent Policeman Henry
Boashamer to the hospital when he
sought to arrest her.

Two Killed, One Hurt In Railroad Accident

DANVILLE, Ind., Oct. 7.—Two were
killed and one seriously hurt when
freight train on the Cincinnati, In-
dianapolis, and Western railroad ran
into an open switch at Maplewood
today.

TO ASK COURT TO SET ASIDE TROLLEY RULE

Washington Railway and Elec-
tric Co. to Appeal From
Overcrowding Order.

ATTACKS NEW REGULATIONS

Provisions Called "Imprac-
ticable, Unreasonable, Un-
certain, and Invalid."

The Washington Railway and Electric
Company today served notice of its in-
tention to appeal to the courts unless
the Public Utilities Commission recon-
siders its recently promulgated rules in
regard to the regulation of overcrowd-
ing on the street railways of the Dis-
trict of Columbia.

In a "note of dissatisfaction" to the
commission, Clarence P. King, presi-
dent of the company, characterizes the
new rules as "impracticable, unreason-
able, uncertain, vague, indefinite, inca-
pable of enforcement and invalid."

Although it is understood that the
Capital Traction Company may take
similar action, nothing definite as to
this could be obtained today owing to
the absence from the city of President
George E. Hamilton and General Man-
age Hanna.

Will Consider Request.

Col. Charles W. Kutz, Engineer Com-
missioner of the District, declared
after reading the communication
from Mr. King, that the commis-
sion will consider the request of the
company for a reconsideration "in due
course," and determine its course of ac-
tion.

Inasmuch as the new rules are to be-
come effective in rush hours would be required
the commission on November 1, it is as-
sumed that the matter will come to a
head within the next few days.

The rules of the commission were is-
sued. It was explained, not to improve
the street car service in the District as
a whole, at this time, but to standardize
it on the basis of what is now the aver-
age service maintained, and, in that
way, to improve the service on lines
where it is now bad.

What Rule Provides.

Under the new regulations the com-
panies, in rush hours would be required
to have enough cars available so that
an average of seven square feet of
space would be allowed each strap-
hanger; and, in non-rush hours, so that
every passenger would be able to get a
seat.

At the time the rules were issued
last week, the Commission admitted
its inability to devise any scheme
whereby passengers would be pre-
vented from crowding on cars or
carrying their baggage in the aisles,
prescribed by the order, but explained
that, by requiring a sufficient number
of cars in the rush hours, it would
then be up to the public to decide
whether or not it would enjoy the ben-
efits.

In his communication to the Com-
mission Mr. King contends that the
new rules are admittedly not based
on any proof of an existing lack of
service, and that the company
added today that they are prepared
where such proof is offered to improve
the service completely.

The letter to the Commission is as
follows: "This is to give notice that the Wash-
ington Railway and Electric Company
is dissatisfied with your order No. 153,
made on the 25th day of September, 1916,
entitled 'In the Matter of Regulations
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"Sand-Bag" Bomb Struck Train Roof

New Weapon Crashes Through
Cars, Causing Panic Among
Score of Passengers.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—A "sand-bag
bomb," a new weapon in the street car
strike, crashed through the roof of a
northbound elevated train near Rector
street early today, causing a panic
among a score of passengers.

The bomb, a large cloth bag, filled with
wet sand, and very heavy, was dropped
from the roof of a twenty-three-story
building and landed on the roof of the
train. The passengers were sitting in
the danger zone they would have
been killed, the police said.

Crowd watch was being kept today on
the movements of Mother Jones, aged
striker leader, whose first speeches to
wives of strikers was followed by a riot.

President Is Back At Long Branch

Addresses Delegation of Indepen-
dent Voters At Porch Meet-
ing This Afternoon.

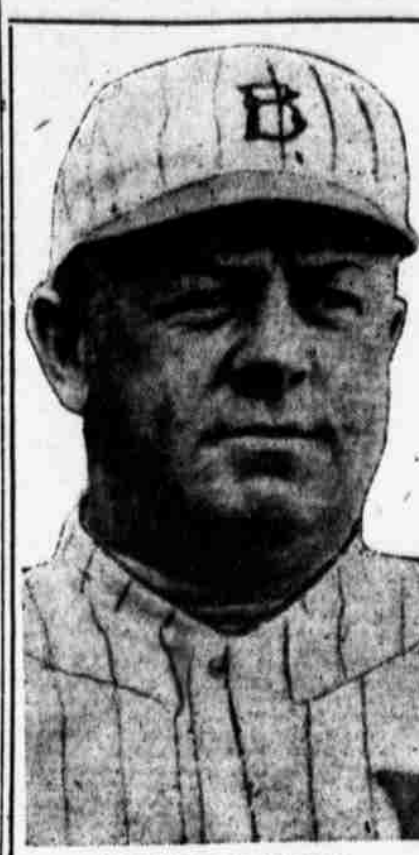
LONG BRANCH, N. J., Oct. 7.—Presi-
dent Wilson returned from his Omaha
trip at 10:20 today. He will address a
delegation of independent voters brought
here under the auspices of the Woodrow
Wilson Independent League at 2 o'clock
this afternoon.

Carranza Provides Death Penalty for Bandits

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 7.—General Car-
ranza is preparing a decree similar to
the one issued under the Juarez regime
to stop banditry throughout the re-
public.

It applies the death penalty for rob-
bery and highway hold-ups.

FRENZIED FANS JAM BOSTON FOR BIG BASEBALL CLASSIC



WILBUR ROBINSON,
Manager of Brooklyn.

First game—At 'Braves'
Field, Boston.

Contending teams—Bos-
ton Red Sox and Brook-
lyn Dodgers.

Time of game—2 p. m.

Rival managers—Wilbur
Robinson and Bill Car-
rigan.

Likely batteries—Leon-
ard or Ruth and Carri-
gan for Boston; Mar-
quard and Meyers for
Brooklyn.

Umpires—Dineen, Con-
nelly, O'Day, and Quig-
ley.

Attendance expected—
40,000.

Weather—Cool and clear.
Betting—10 to 6 on Red
Sox to win series.



WILLIAM CARRIGAN,
Manager of Boston.

—Photo by Underwood & Underwood.

FORTY THOUSAND ON HAND FOR WORLD'S SERIES OPENER

Usual Lines of Overnight Camp-
ers at Gates Are Missing,
However.

TEAMS READY FOR CLASH

Leonard and Marquard Are De-
clared First Choice for
Mound Honors.

Statements of Rival
Managers.

"I have faith in the ability of my
men. We have been through
this fire and our experience
will help us at critical points.
Our pitching staff and our
fielding will carry us through,
I am confident."
MANAGER CARRIGAN, Boston.

"I do not want to make any pre-
diction regarding the outcome
of this series. My boys never
have taken part in a world's
series as a team, but we have
in Rube Marquard, Jack
Combs, Fred Merkle and Chief
Meyers four veterans who will
steady the players at the try-
ing points. The heavy hitting of
the Brooklyn club will offset
the great pitching of the Red
Sox, I believe. We are out to
win."
MANAGER ROBINSON, Brooklyn.

By H. C. HAMILTON.

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 7.—While
an entire nation waits with ex-
pectant ear, the Brooklyn Dodgers
and Boston Red Sox stand poised
today for a rush which will bring
them into a collision whose re-
sounding smack will be heard from
Maine to California.

Under ideal weather conditions
and with all indications pointing
to a crowd of 40,000 or more, the
winners of the National and Amer-
ican League pennants will meet in
the first game of the world's series
on Braves Field at 2 o'clock this
afternoon.

SORAMBLE FOR HONOR.

Never in baseball history have two
championship teams met in the baseball
classic after such wild scrambles for
the honors they have gained. Not until
Tuesday of this week were the Dodgers
they would be here today. Now
that they have looked about and es-
tablished beyond a doubt that they are
on the verge of the big race of the
year, they have determined to put up
one go-ahead fight.

Greatest World's Series Crowd.

The world's series crowd, ranking
with the greatest which ever fought and
struggled over tickets to such a contest,
milled and jostled through the hotel
lobbies last night, hunting for places
to sleep. Every room is full, and there
is a heavy overflow. One hotel is con-
sidering making application for the use
of Pullman cars in which to stow its
guests tonight.

Betting is just as heavy today as yester-
day. Many wagers are being placed
at odds of 10 to 6 that the Red Sox will
win the series. On today's game the
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Baker Calls Halt Guard Recruiting

War Secretary, Dissatisfied With
Slow Progress, Orders
Stations Closed.

Dissatisfied with recruiting of national
guardmen, Secretary of War Baker to-
day authorized commanding generals of
the army departments to discontinue
recruiting service at their discretion.
The decision was based on a recom-
mendation by the general staff. Re-
cruiting has been disappointing. Great
difficulty has been met in trying to fill
up the national guard regiments at the
border or ready to leave for the border.
The department had built an expensive
system of recruiting, with regular army
officers and militia officers co-operating.
The stations, it was admitted, have not
met expectations.

DR. HUNT IS DEAD VICTIM OF PLAGUE

Physician Thought to Have Con-
tracted Infantile Paralysis
From "Carrier."

Dr. Arthur L. Hunt died today at his
home, 134 Monroe street northwest, of
infantile paralysis.

Dr. Hunt became ill September 29.
For some time he had been assisting
the Health Department in keeping under
observation persons coming to the Dis-
trict from infected communities.

The theory of physicians of the depart-
ment is that he contracted the disease
from an apparently well person, a "car-
rier."

His last visit to a patient actually
suffering from the disease was made in
July. The length of time that elapsed
between that visit and the date of his
illness, officials of the Health Depart-
ment, say, make it improbable that
he contracted the disease from that
source.

Dr. Hunt was an expert in the ad-
ministration of anesthetics. He was
born in Lewistown, Me., and was thirty-
nine years old.

In 1906 he was graduated from the
medical school of George Washington
University. He was formerly physician
in the Census Office, and was at one
time private secretary to Senator Wil-
liam F. Frye of Maine.

Dr. Hunt was married in June to Miss
Marie Seitz. He was the first physician
in the District to contract the disease
since its appearance in July.

Howard Acton Wed Five Months Ago

Washington Newspaper Man Kept
Marriage to Mrs. Mary W.
Lewis Secret.

Announcement was made today of
the wedding of Howard L. Acton, news-
paper man, and Mrs. Mary W. Lewis,
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford M.
Warren, of 515 L street.

The ceremony took place in New York
May 2, and was known until today
only to the bride's small daughter.

Dr. Acton came to Washington in 1911
and he was on the Washington staff of
the Cincinnati Enquirer and the Cin-
cinnati Times-Star. He also did pub-
licity work for the National Geographic
society for a year, and was engaged in
other publicity work at various times.

Mr. Acton is a well known member of
the National Press Club.

Village Turns Out To Greet Hughes

Republican Nominee Receives Five
Or Six Hundred Guests
At Montclair.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., Oct. 7.—The
village of Montclair turned out to
greet Charles E. Hughes and Mrs.
Hughes at their hotel here today.

The reception committee of twenty-
five prominent citizens which greeted
some five or six hundred callers and
directed the reception. Hughes spoke
briefly.

The Republican candidate today
closed his "workshop" in preparation
for his next trip, starting Monday.
It is understood in the speeches he
has been making on his way to some of
President Wilson's recent
speeches and attack some of the
President's recent appointments.

POLICE CHASE BOYS IN WILD AUTO RIDE

Joy Riders Leap From Speeding
Car, Which Crashes Into
Lamp Post.

Six young men in a stolen automobile,
and Central Office Detective Embrey in
the police touring car staged an excit-
ing chase in the northwest section of
the city last night, which ended when
the joyriders leaped from the speeding
car near Iowa circle and disappeared
into the darkness.

The machine, going at thirty-five
miles an hour and without an occupant,
crashed into a lamp post. A pedestrian
standing near by shut off the engine
before the car could resume its run-
away trip.

Behind Stolen Car.

The police car was directly behind
the stolen car when the occupants leaped
out of the running board. Detective
Embrey jumped from his car. Both
the young men and the detective fell.

The joyriders quickly recovered their
wits, however, and ran before the de-
tective could reach them.

Both chasing for a due, Embrey found
a cap, presumably dropped by one of
the fleeing men. A general lookout for
a young man without a cap was sent
to the police throughout the city.

At 3 o'clock this morning, Patrolmen
Newton and Gaffney, of the Third pre-
cinct, saw a young man bareheaded
entering a house in Virginia avenue
northwest.

Arrest One Suspect.

They notified Detective Embrey, who
went to the house and placed the young
man under arrest on a charge of taking
an automobile without the owner's con-
sent. At police headquarters the boy
said he was Randall Halsey, seventeen,
of 232 Virginia avenue northwest.

He was locked up at the First precinct.
The car, which belongs to John F.
Jerman, of 1315 I street northwest, was
taken from in front of a downtown
theater about 10 o'clock last night.

Police headquarters was notified, and
Detective Embrey and Chauffeur Har-
fourth started out.

At Fifteenth and N streets northwest
the police car passed a machine con-
taining six young men, one of whom
was not that of the stolen car, but the
young men, evidently thought they were
being trailed and put on full speed.

The suspicious of the detective was aroused
and he gave chase. Up one street and
down another the two cars went. Cross-
ing Fourteenth and W streets, the joy-
riders barely missed hitting a street
car.

Christian Scientists To Build Sanatorium

Gift of Land in Brookline, Mass.,
Accepted for Project Mrs.
Eddy Launched.

BOSTON, Oct. 7.—The acceptance of
a gift of twenty acres of land in
Brookline on which it is proposed to
build a sanatorium to be conducted
by the Mother Church was announced
by the Christian Science Board of
Directors tonight.

The gift was made by the Mother
Church in accordance with the wishes
of the founder of the church, Mrs.
Mary Baker G. Eddy, who proposed to
the directors in 1909 that the
Mother Church should establish and
maintain a Christian Science resort
for the so-called sick.

A short time ago, the directors an-
nounced tonight, Mrs. Longyear
offered the tract of land in Brookline,
and was notified that the gift would
be accepted.

The directors' statement said in
part: "Plans for buildings will be started
at once, and it is hoped that the
actual work of construction will
commence not later than the early
spring. Such announcements as are
necessary will be made from time to
time through our periodicals."

RUSSIANS WIN FROM MACKENSEN'S ARMY

German-Bulgar-Turkish Force
Tries to Counter-Attack, But
Suffers Losses.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 7.—Russian troops
have won a victory over Mackensen's
German-Bulgar-Turkish army in Do-
brudja, occupying the villages of Ka-
rabaka and Beaul and also the heights
between, it was officially announced
today. The enemy counter-attacked,
but was repelled with loss.

PARIS, Oct. 7.—Italian troops have
taken the offensive in the Balkans
in conjunction with the British, French
and Serbs and are attacking in the
region of Butkovo, east of the Var-
dar, it was officially announced
today.

On the allied left wing, the Serbs
have pushed their advance guards
forward into Belavoda valley. French
troops have occupied German positions.

The Bulgars directed strong coun-
ter-attacks against the British force
that occupied Nevelen but were re-
pulsed.

BERLIN, Oct. 7.—The Roumanians
have lost 60,000 men in the last two
weeks of fighting in Transylvania,
where they have suffered two decisive
defeats at the hands of Field Marshal
Falkenhayn.

Budapest dispatches today asserted
that some of the crack Roumanian re-
giments have been entirely wiped out. Ill-
trained troops are now opposing Falken-
hayn's victorious advance against the
army that invaded Transylvania.

Quiet Reported Along French Front in West

PARIS, Oct. 7.—There were no im-
portant actions on that part of the
western front held by the French
last night, it was officially announced
today.

British Repel German Attacks on West Front

LONDON, Oct. 7.—German bombing
attacks against the new British posi-
tions northeast of Eaucourt l'Abbaye
were completely repulsed. General
Haig reported this afternoon. Brit-
ish raids on enemy trenches near
Armentieres and Loos last night
were successful.